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Fashioning Experience



Thimbles, thread, and miscellaneous pieces of fabric overtook Mackenzie Miller's work space. Miller (fashion merchandising and business management '21)

commences each project with tenacity and endurance to see it through to completion. Creating something out of nothing provides Miller with a sense of accomplishment and artistry. Last semester, she had the opportunity to work professionally with the Averitt Center for the Arts in Statesboro, Georgia. She applied the skills obtained from her fashion and design classes to create a set of costumes for their production of *Orestes*.

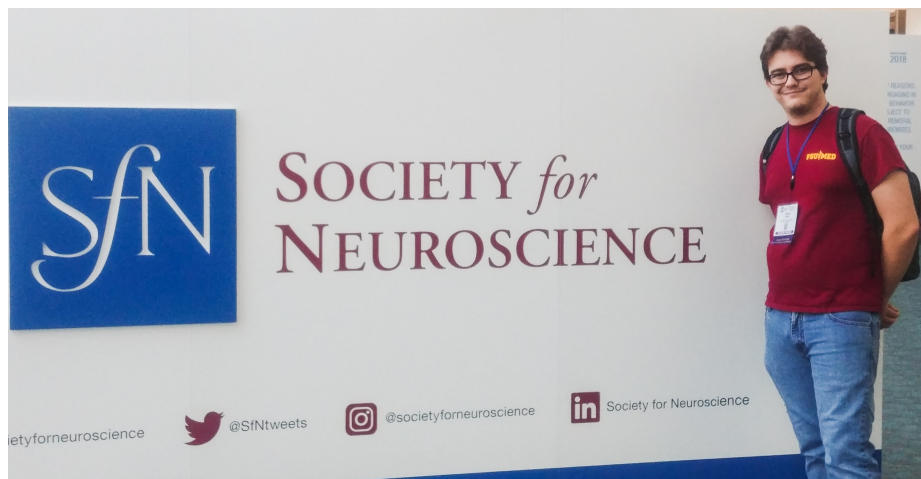
For over two months, Miller worked with a faculty mentor, Dr. Addie Martindale, and a group of six students collaborating and creating pieces for this project. This Greek tragedy follows the consequences of murder, deceit, and injustice. Young actors, ranging in ages from seven to seventeen, undertook this mature play. "It was interesting to see a cast with a majority of fifth and sixth graders take on these very dramatic roles," Miller said.

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Alumni Update: Jordan Logue Wins Award for Research



Honors Program alumnus Jordan Logue (biology '13) won the Professional Training Development award at the Society of Neuroscience's annual conference last fall when he presented his team's research, "Effects of Social Isolation Rearing and

Ketamine on Hippocampal Synaptic Plasticity.”

“I presented our laboratory's work on the experimental anti-depressant ketamine. In humans, extended loneliness has been shown to cause a variety of mental health issues. What we did is model that in a rat and see if we could reverse some of the effects of chronic social isolation using this new anti-depressant drug,” Logue said of the research he is conducting while a graduate student in the Program in Neuroscience at Florida State University.

The award is designed to promote and to recognize ambitious scientists who will benefit from the exposure and give them the experience of sharing their research and adding to the critical conversation. Logue's research at Florida State University is impacting current medicine with human clinical trials.

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Honors Alumni are encouraged to update their information here!

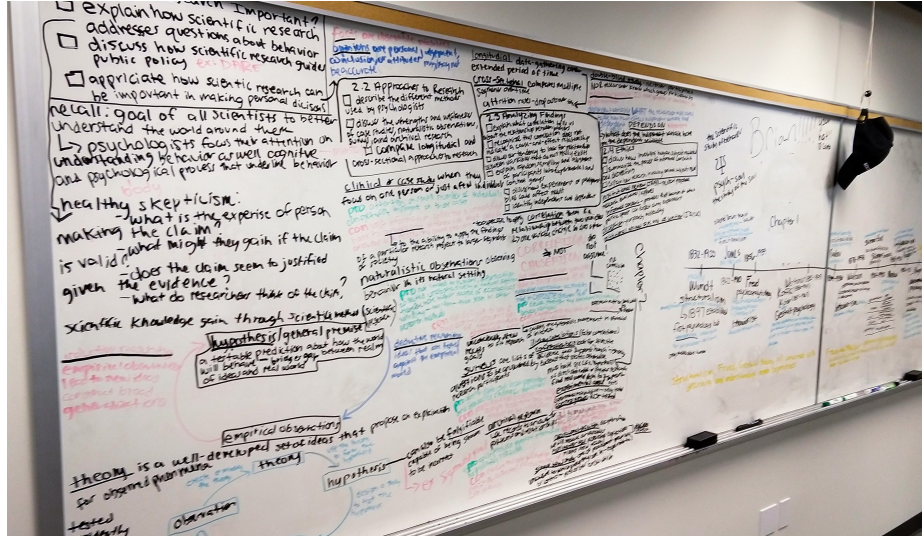
Marian Trainor Uses Art to Imitate Life



Recent Honors graduate, Marian Trainor (2D and 3D studio art '18) currently has her Honors thesis on display in the Interdisciplinary Academic Building on the Statesboro Campus. Trainor created the mysterious life story of a man, A. H. Kotz, designing artifacts, a model of his home, and details of his personal and professional life. Still, most of his life comes across as a mystery, and that is the fun of the exhibit. Trainor's medium for this exhibit was primarily modifying everyday objects to appear found and aged.

To read more about this exhibit, see the [George-Anne article](#).

All Work in the Lounge



The whiteboard in the Honors Program Lounge in Solms Hall on the Armstrong Campus is evidence that the semester is well underway! Students are making use of the new lounge space, formerly the Honors Classroom, for meetings and study groups. This new space is bigger than the old lounge, which means more students can take advantage of it.

To learn more about Honors at Georgia Southern, how to support honors activities, or become involved in honors alumni events, contact Honors Director Steven Engel at sengel@georgiasouthern.edu



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